ELIZABETH

How demure thy down dropped face, Bending o'er the open book, With thy tinger on the place. And thy earnest, studious look, White lids veiling thy dark eyes, Sometimes raised in awest surprise Dearest maid that e'er drew broath, Winsome maid, Elizabeth!

Would I were a poet, love! All for thee my rhymes should flow, Would I were a carrier dove, On thy errands swift to go! Would I were a devotee. At thy beauty's shrine to be, Lovellest maid that e'er drew breath, Rare, sweet maid, Elizabeth:

I'm in love with thee, dear one! Do you know it? Have you guessee it? I am glad at last 'tis done -Glad I have at last confessed it-Glad if love has found you, too, And your heart to me is true Glad if only one light breath Whispers "Yes"-Elizabeth

-Hosion Transcript.

TRYING TO DEFEAT THE LAW. Clever Imitation of an Idiot Given by

Shrewd Professional Crook. They were talking of the shrewdness of thieves and criminals when brought into the central charged with any offense, and in the course of the conversation Detective McKeogh spoke of Louis Fisher.

"There was the toughest guy I ever had to handle," said he. "From a really good boy he developed into as vicious a criminal as I ever saw. Years ago, where the Chicago Opera house now stands, was the old Tivoli, and Fisher, Sr., once had the lease of the place. In those days beer gardens were fashionable, and there was always to be found a great crowd of pleasure seekers scated about the tables. Here it was that Louis was brought up, and as a matter of course he met many clever crooks who would visit the place for 'graft.'

"When the boy was 15 years old he one day disappeared with two stylishly dres fellows who had been hanging about the place for several weeks. On inquiry it was learned that the men were skilled burgiars and that they wanted the boy to climb over transoms. So well did he succeed in his new duties that he became noted as an ex-His father was well to do, and though he tried in every way to locate his boy he could not do it.
"Things ran along after this fashion for

four or five years, when suddenly I came face to face with Louis, now a man, on Clark street. I arrested him, knowing him to be a thief. Then I told the old man and he came over to the station to see the boy. But it was useless. The young fel-low refused to give up his life, and said in a sullen way to me: 'You can't prove anywork in Chicago.' I took him into court, and there on his own confession he was

'He didn't leave the city, however, and I determined to hunt him up again, be cause I knew he was a dangerous man to run at large.

"Finally, in company with two other officers, we located our man on Van Buren and Clark streets in a dingy room with several of his pals. We waited for him to come down, ready to pounce on him on sight. A few hours later Louis and his chums showed up and we 'nailed' them. But we had a fight on our hands before we got them to the station. Then, going back to their den, we made the women we found there tell us where the plunder of the robbers was hidden. After threats and per-suasion we were finally shown over \$1,000 worth of jewelry, clothing, cloth and truck, the result of sneak work in residences.

"When we showed the stuff to the pris-oner he suddenly became idiotic—that is, he appeared to. But my chiefs—Capta. John Shea and Joe Kipley—knew the fel-low and they laughed at him. They tried to catch him in various ways, but could Once before in the east he had played the dodge so well that he was sent to an asylum, from which he soon after made his escape. He was trying the same thing here in Chicago. He would bite his fingers until the wounds run with blood, and he would laugh hysterically at the blood as it and instead would throw himself on the 215 and 217 South Main St. floor and lick up the dirt with much gusto.
"But it failed to work, for his eastern

experience had been investigated, and so clear a case was made out against him that he was sent to Joliet for ten years, many of the owners of the stolen property giving their evidence. Besides one of his pals turned state's evidence, and that settled

"He then gave up his shamming, and threatened to kill both myself and his pal if he ever lived to get out of prison. And I guess he'll try it, too, when he gets out But he played the crazy dodge fine, and I have not the slightest doubt if we had not discovered his scheme when we did be would have gone to Kankakee and theno to his liberty,"-Chicago Mail.

For a long time it was supposed that the relative weight of the brain as compared with the body was greater in man than in any of the lower animals, but, plast for poor bunnan nature, it is now known that some of the smaller South American mon-keys have, proportionally, a larger share of brain than our noble selves. On the other hand, however, man carries more weight in his cranium than any other breathing creature except the elephant and the whale. As a rule the human brain increases in

gravity-specific gravity, of course-up to the 20th or 21st year, and after the "age of discretion" till the 40th year usually re mains in statu quo. After 40 the organ it most cases begins to wilt. It continues to decrease in volume more rapidly as we grow older, and in those who are unhappy enough to reach the seventh stage of " ond childishness and mere oblivion" there is nothing left of it worth mentioning. As a proof that the weight of the en-

cephalic mass determines to a considerable extent the amount of intellectual power it may be stated that when the former is ounces for the male and forty-four for the female brain are the average-idiocy or partial imbecility invariably accompanies The heaviest brain on record is that of Cuvier, the great naturalist, which weighed sixty-four ounces.-New York Ledger.

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leather functifully showing the flesh side of The Russian poot is composed of many The Persian footgear is a raised shoe id is often made a foot high. It is made of light wood richly inlaid, with a strap extending over the instep.

The Algerian shoe in appearance is not nalike the light English wooden cloga. This shoe is made entirely of leather in the simplest form and usually without any ornamentation. The Arenian shoe has a leather sole and

ornamented with needlework done in colored silk thread. The Muscovite shoe is hand woven on a with a sharp turn up toe which is sur-weeden frame, and but little attention is mounted by a large ball of colored wool or The Muscovite shoe is hand woven on a paid to the shape of the foot. Leather is hair. The shoe is fleece lined and is gorscruetimes used, but the sandal is gener
geously decorated with beads and ornaally made of colored silk cordage and wool-

heel, without a counter and back quarter.

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SHOES OF THE WORLD.

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and heel, with a vamp made of patent

The Slam shoe has the form of an ancient cance with a goodola bow and an open top. The sole is made of wood and the upper of inlaid wood and cloth, and the exterior is elaborately ornamented in colors and with | an inch in width and lined with linen, is gold and silver.

The sandal worn by the Egyptians is com posed of a sole made by sticking together three thicknesses of leather. This is held to the fact by a bond passing across the in step. The sandal is beautifully stitched with threads of different colors.

The Mussulman's shoe is of heavy leath-It is adjusted to the foot by a wide

plumes on the right side of the sharp toe.

pieces of morocco in several colors, put to-gether in a shape to please the taste of the maker or weater. The foot of the boot is made of heavy calf. The whole boot is beautifully emboseed by thread in bright

The Hungarian shoe, or moccasin, is made of rawhide, prepared by a sun curing pro-cess. It is bound together with many thougs of rawhide. Loops or thougs extend upward around the ankle and through those loops is passed a strap which is buckled at

The Grecian shoe is made almost entirely of leather, and has a thickly padded sole, geously decorated with beads and ornamental-stitching.

The clog worn by the Japanese is of wood, and as viewed from the side is the shape of a boy's sled. It is fastened to the foot by a string which passes between the great and second toe and across the former. estried across the insten-

Chines shoes have no fastening or string buckle or strap. The upper is made of felt, seiset or other cloth. The sole does s extend to the and of the above, but curve spward beneath the ball of the foot. The a being very thick it gives the weare n unsteadiness of mit, as though a pair of

The Chinese see a hare pounding rice in a mortar in the moon.

moon is gnawed by mice. The Samoun i-landers perceive a woman

The North American Indians see a gnawing animal in the orb of night. In the whole of eastern Asia the people

see in the moon a rabbit or a bare. The Polynesians think that the spirits of the dead are nourished by the mo

ing the ground. On the ancient monuments in Central America the moon appears as a jar or a shell whence a rabbit shaped animal is

The Scandinavians believe the moon once arried off two children, as they came from he water bearing a jar, and they can still be seen with it in the orb.

The Hottentets imagine that the moon monthly suffers from headathes; when they grow loo severe she covers her head with her hand and hides it from our eyes.

the regard the monthly disappearance of on as hurning, have connected the pets with this bles and believe them to

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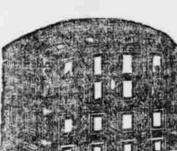
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Massachusetts schools cost over \$7,500,000 & Year.

A traveler has discovered that brunetter are not the rule in Spain. Many Spanish

Christian Temperatus union, 135,000 in the King's Daughters, 100,000 in the Women's Relief corps and 25,000 in the Eastern Star. A new invention in musical instruments brought out in Germany is called a "bowed plano." It resembles a planoforte frame, contains six violins, two violes and two

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Demanding what others have died to win
With the reckless dush of a boy?

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You have written my lessons of duty out,
Manilie you have questioned me;
Now stand at the bar of my woman's soul,
Until I have questioned thee!
You require your bread shall be always good,
Your socks and your shirts shall be whols;
I require your heart to be true as God's stars,
And pure as beaven your soul!
You require a cook for your mutton and beef—
I require a far better thing;
A seamstress you're wanting for stockings and
shirt—

A king for the beautiful realm called home,
And a man that the maker, God,
Shall look upon as he did the first,
And say, It is very good!
I am fair and young, but the rose will fade
From the soft young cheek one day:
Will you love me then 'mid the falling leaves,
As you did 'mid the bloom of May?
Is your heart an ocean so strong and deep
I may launch my all on its tide?
A loving woman finits beaven or hell

A loving woman finds beaven or hell On the day she is made a bride

On the day and is made a bride.

I require all things that are good and true,
All things that a man abould be;
If you give this all I would stake my life.
To be all you demand of me.
If you cannot do this—a handress, a cock
You can hire with little to pay.
But a woman's heart and a waman's life.

Are not to be wen that say. are not to be won that way.

-Exchange.

A BRAVE WOMAN.

She Slept a Whole Night with a Rat Under Her and Never Screamed.

More than a score of years ago a party of Americans were traveling in Spain. There were eight of them-four men and four women-and one night they found then selves in a little hastelry containing or bed, in which the four women slept, wi the bare floor for the men, who found the necessary room to lie down in by utiliz the space under the bed for their feet. Just as the party were dropping off into their first doze the youngest woman felt something soft and warm moving in the straw of the tick beneath her. She awaited a moment to make sure, and then as it began passage up one side of her body she gave a jump that landed her clear over by the opposite wall, and got ready to scream

"There is a rat or a snake in the bed," she whispered excitedly.

The doctor sat up. "Nonsense!" he said.

"I tell you there is. It is in the straw of
the tick. And it crept up my leg."

'What is it?" came from the doctor on

"Well," asked the doctor calmly, "sup-pose there is an animal there. What are you going to do about it?"
"Do! Why I'm going to get the girls out and open the tick and take the creature out. You don't suppose I'm going to

sleep all night with a stake coiling around

under me, do you!" "Now, see here," expostulated the doctor. "let's reason about this thing. It can't be a snake; it's probably a rat; and it's inside the ticking and it can't get out. It can't possibly harm you. And by and by the warmth of your body will make it drawsy, and it will carl down quietly and go to

sleep. So much for the rat.
"Now, here we are—eight of us tired out. Nobody knows about the rat but us two. Now, are you going to be sensh enough to wake these six people up turn the girls out of their bed—they will scream, too, till they are black in the face—make us men take all the straw out of the tick, find and kill the animal and then get all the straw back into the tick-nearly a whole night's performance-just because you have got hysterical over a harmless little

creature?
"Now, be a sensible girl, get back into bed and let me get to sleep again. When the rat gets to sleep you will, too. Just

If it is ever given to a man to be eloquent it is when he is pleading for his own comfort, and the doctor was just a man after all. His persuasiveness won. The young woman crept timidly back, and lay with clinched fists and tightly shut eyes while the little creature nestled uneasily about, and finally erept close to her side under the ticking and carled down to sleep. Sure enough the coctor was right And pretty soon she did go to sleep, too and only waked with the morning to tell the other women of their fifth bedfellow, and how she had saved them from an over

whelming fright. whelming fright.

And the girls quite turned her head with
their ohs! and ahs! And the doctor said
she was pretty sensible for a woman. And
she sometimes tells the story even today.
"But was it a rat after all?" the listener is sure to ask when she is done. And she also likes to answer, "It is my chiefest glory in the whole affair that I left the inn in an hour without speaking of the matter, and to this day I do not know whether I slept with a rat, or a kitten, or a snake."-

Miss Drexel's Convent Life.

A pleasant faced, gentle, refined nun, who is introduced as Sister Katherine and whose face is suffused with a faint tings of color as the is introduced, calls to mind a scene when, in the chapel of the Mercy convent, the lovely robe of white satin was, with the name of Miss Kate Drezel, discarded for the black robe and the name Sister Kutherine. Slater Katherine is now engaged is teaching some of the 300 little folks who call St. Paul's Roman Catholic

Orphan asylum their home.
Her school is composed of the primary pupils of the vast establishment, and tenderly and lovingly she governs them and teaches them the rudiments of an education. Other rooms and departments are under control of other sisters.-Pittsburg Disputch.

The present system of managing a play by sending out several companies when the popularity of the piece is at its height, has a decidedly comfortable effect upon the bank account of the playwright. Figures show that two of Bronson Howard's plays, "The Henrietta" and "Shenamioah," netted him the big income in one year of \$91,-

The amount of property in Boston ex-empted from taxation reaches a total of \$41,648,366, of which \$14,700,860 is the esti-mated value of houses of religious worship and the land upon which these structures Ligaria

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vded tenement. Of flats ranging in rent from \$300 to \$300 a year there are \$2,947; from \$300 to \$300 rental, 30,775; from \$300 to \$2,000 rental, 13,323 from \$2,000 to \$4,000 a year, 1,980; while of inhabited houses with a rental of over \$4,000 there are only 470. Shop rents

in the busy parts of the town are dear.
Large blocks of buildings belong, not to private individuals, but to insurance of panies and banking establishments, who charge what they like, and do not care much whether a shop or an appartement stands on their books empty for a time be-cause an applicant refuses to pay an exessive rent, feeling aure that sorn they will be able to extort their own tes is estimated that the gross rental c reaches the total of \$150,000,000 while the value of the whole of the is erry in the French capital, chens 18 nouses, shops and manufactories, down at \$2,000,000,600. There are One 40 000 piners of business or data v.



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public except in full armor, but upon en-tering an assembly of friends the knight removed his belimet, the act signifying, "I

smeared his face with soot, traces of which still remain.

women are fair, with blue eyes. There are 200,000 women in the Women's

violoncellos. old age.

The first velocipede was invented by Mr. Philipp Trexler in Gratz, in Germany in 1784. A long article in a newspaper Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.